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## STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

#### IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

#### **JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2022**

#### AN ACT

RELATING TO COMMERCIAL LAW -- GENERAL REGULATORY PROVISIONS -- PURCHASE AND SALE OF PRECIOUS METALS -- CATALYTIC CONVERTERS

Introduced By: Representatives Solomon, and Cardillo

Date Introduced: March 02, 2022

Referred To: House Corporations

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 6-11.1-4 of the General Laws in Chapter 6-11.1 entitled "Purchase

and Sale of Precious Metals" is hereby amended to read as follows:

#### 6-11.1-4. Record of transactions required -- Reports to police.

(a) Every person licensed under this chapter shall keep a copy of the report form obtained from or under the direction of the attorney general, containing a comprehensive record of all transactions concerning precious metals including catalytic converters. The comprehensive record shall be hand printed legibly or typed. The record shall include the name, address, telephone number and date of birth of the seller, as well as a photocopy or digital image of the seller's photo identification; the license plate number, state of issue, make and model of the vehicle from which a catalytic converter was or is to be removed and delivered to the licensee; a complete and accurate description of the property purchased or sold including any serial numbers or other identifying marks or symbols; and the date and hour of the transaction; and seller's signature.

(b) Every person licensed under this chapter shall obtain from the seller, a copy of the vehicle registration for the vehicle from which the catalytic converter was removed unless the seller is a registered business that, in the regular course of business, collects, stores, or sells catalytic converters or any other motor vehicle parts. Said copy shall be recorded with the seller's information and provided to the local police department pursuant to this section.

(b)(c) All persons licensed under this chapter shall deliver or mail weekly to the chief of

1	police of the city or town in which the business is located and electronically submit to the attorney
2	general, in a manner specified by the attorney general, all report forms from the preceding seven-
3	day (7) period.
4	(e)(d) Every person licensed under this chapter shall retain a copy of the report form for a
5	period of one year from the date of the sale stated on the form. These records are to be made
6	available for inspection by any law enforcement agency requesting to review them. Licensees or
7	secondary metals recyclers are prohibited from releasing a supplier's information without their
8	consent unless the disclosure is made in response to a request from a law enforcement agency.
9	(e) Any violation of these provisions shall be subject to the penalties set forth in § 6-11.1-
10	<u>7.</u>
11	SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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# **EXPLANATION**

## BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

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1	This act would require a purchaser of a catalytic converter to obtain a copy of the
2	registration for the vehicle from which the catalytic converter was removed, unless the seller is a
3	registered business that, in the regular course of business, collects, stores, or sells a catalytic
4	converter or any other motor vehicle parts, and would provide said copy to law enforcement.
5	This act would take effect upon passage.
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